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SUBJ: NEW MAP ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENT

REF: STATE 157687

1. NEW MSA COUNSELOR DURING AUGUST 29 CALL ON MUAMMER AKCER, ASSDIRGEN ISA, FOREIGN MINISTRY, STRESSED IMPORTANCE OF EARLY COMPLETION OF STILL PENDING EXCHANGE OF NOTES TO FULFILL REQUIREMENT OF SECTION 505(F) FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACT (FAA) OF 1973.

2. AKCER OUTLINED PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS THAT HAD TO BE SATISFIED BEFORE GOT COULD SIGN. AGREEMENT WOULD REQUIRE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS' APPROVAL. BEFORE THAT APPROVAL COULD BE SOUGHT, "NEW" MFA SECRETARY GENERAL, SUKRU ELEKDAG, WHO WOULD SIGN FOR GOT, HAD TO RECEIVE EMPOWERING DECREE FROM GOVERNMENT. AKCER EXPECTED COMPLETION OF PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS WOULD ALLOW ELEKDAG TO SIGN "BY LATE SEPTEMBER".

3. MSA COUNSELOR NOTED THAT NO MAP ARTICLE, INCLUDING EDA, COULD BE TURNED OVER TO TURKEY OR ANY COUNTRY THAT HAD NOT SIGNED AGREEMENT TO SATISFY SECTION 505(F), AND THAT, FOR EXAMPLE, ANY EDA ARTICLES THAT TURKEY MAY

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HAVE WANTED WOULD BE LOST AS DEADLINES FOR WRITING

CONTRACTS PASSED. AKCER SAID HE UNDERSTOOD AND WOULD DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO EXPEDITE MATTER.

4. AKCER REVIEWED CHANGES MFA HAD PROPOSED (APPROVED REFTEL) REGARDING PAYMENT IN TURKISH LIRA AND MUTUAL AGREEMENT ON INTERNATIONAL EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL EXCHANGE ACTIVITIES. HE SUGGESTED THAT THESE TWO POINTS BE ADDRESSED IN A PRELIMINARY EXCHANGE OF DIPLOMATIC NOTES WHICH COULD THEN BE REFERENCED IN THE LATER EXCHANGE ON AGREEMENT ITSELF. WE SAW NO OBJECTION TO THIS AND SUGGESTED THIS SHOULD BE DONE AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE. AKCER AGREED.

5. AKCER EXPRESSED RESERVATIONS ABOUT THE WORD, "INTERNATIONAL" MODIFYING "EDUCATIONAL" AND ASKED IF IT COULD BE CLARIFIED. HE INDICATED HE WOULD PREFER TO SEE THE WORD DROPPED IN FAVOR OF "BILATERAL" SINCE THE PROGRAMS INVOLVED WOULD BE BILATERAL IN NATURE AND NOT MULTILATERAL. WE NOTED THAT "MUTUALLY AGREED" IN LANGUAGE PROPOSED BY GOT PROTECTED TURKEY AGAINST ANY PROGRAMS, INCLUDING INTERNATIONAL, WHICH GOT MIGHT CONSIDER INAPPROPRIATE TO FINANCE FROM SALES OF NO LONGER NEEDED MAP ARTICLES. AKCER PERSISTED IN REQUESTING CLARIFICATION OF "INTERNATIONAL" AND ALSO ASKED FOR EXAMPLES OF CULTURAL EXCHANGE PROGRAMS THAT MIGHT BE INVOLVED. HE ASKED IN PARTICULAR WHETHER SUPPORT FOR UNESCO PROGRAMS OR THIRD COUNTRY SCHOLARSHIPS TO MIDDLE EAST TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY WOULD BE INCLUDED.

6. COMMENT: WE WOULD APPRECIATE GUIDANCE ON DEALING WITH WORD, "INTERNATIONAL". CAN WE DELETE IT, SUBSTITUTE "BILATERAL" FOR IT OR DEFINE IT TO MEET TURKISH QUALMS? ALTHOUGH WE CAN COME UP WITH EXAMPLES OF CULTURAL ACTIVITIES THAT MIGHT BE FINANCED UNDER THIS AGREEMENT, WASHINGTON COMMENTS THERETO WOULD ALSO BE WELCOME. ADDRESSEES ARE ASKED TO TAKE NOTE OF AKCER ESTIMATE THAT MFA WILL NOT BE READY TOSIGN AGREEMENT UNTIL LATE SEPTEMBER.  
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